GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
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PROCUREMENT OF COTTON BY CCI
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the states from whom cotton is being procured by the Cotton Corporation of India;

(b) the details of procurement made by CCI during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether the number of major cotton purchasing countries buying Indian cotton have been declining over the years;

(d) if so, the facts in this regard and the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken/being taken by the government to find out the new markets and to attract the existing buyers towards Indian cotton?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR)

(a) Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) procures cotton from all cotton growing States except from Maharashtra where Raw Cotton Monopoly Procurement Scheme of the State Government is in operation.

(b) Procurement made by CCI, State-wise, is given in the following table:

State	1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02 (Upto 27.02.2002)
Punjab	35,738	62,074	12,570
Haryana	18,533	34,409	9,963
Rajasthan	1,24,175	1,17,234	60,468
Gujarat	1,12,913	1,26,774	2,14,503
Madhya Pradesh	44,248	62,108	60,955
Andhra Pradesh	1,22,945	1,79,868	3,82,415
Karnataka	16,713	14,627	18,457
Tamil Nadu	2,735	1,154	200
West Bengal	2,125	1,184	441
Orissa	2,447	3,489	14,503
Maharashtra Federation	25,500	00	00
TOTAL	5,08,072	6,02,921	7,74,475

(c) Export of cotton from India during last three cotton years (October - September) is given in the following table:

	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001
Quantity (in lakh bales of 170 kg. each)	1.01	0.65	0.60
Number of countries	33	19	25

(d) & (e) Unfavourable price and quality of cotton are primary reasons for low export of cotton from India. Government has launched the

Technology Mission on Cotton to improve the productivity and quality of cotton so as to make the Indian cotton more competitive globally.